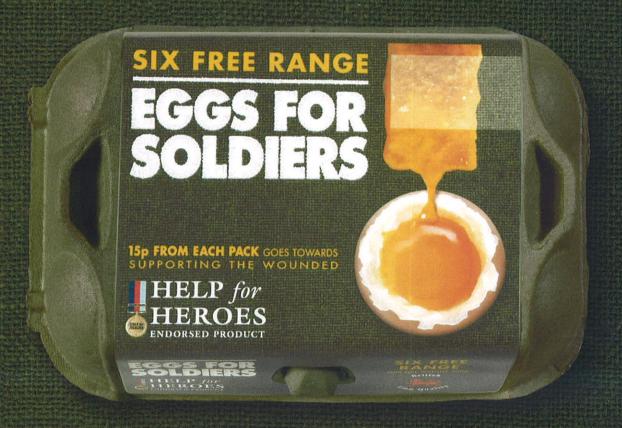
# **EGGS FOR SOLDIERS**

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Eggs for Soldiers is a new free-range egg brand conceived and developed by Springetts Brand Design Consultants and launched by Noble Foods.

Springetts developed the novel idea of using eggs, a commodity product, to help raise the awareness of the Help for Heroes charity through brand association. The Eggs for Soldiers design was created to deliver a distinctive pack that cut through and engaged with people emotionally, making it effortless for consumers to show their support.

The Eggs for Soldiers brand was launched in May 2011 and in its first year has achieved remarkable results:

- After a successful launch into Tesco it is now also available in Asda and Morrisons.
- Is the second largest free range egg brand on the market.
- Is the largest charitable eggs brand.
- It has raised in excess of £397,000 for Help for Heroes.
- In 2011/12 Eggs for soldiers has been Help for Heroes' most successful FMCG commercial partnership.

Eggs for Soldiers is not just an example of effective design, more importantly, it's a great example of an effective creative process delivering something innovative, that is also making a massive difference to an important cause. It is a testament to the strength of the client/agency relationship that Noble Foods had both the vision and belief in the concept to take the brand to market.

### **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

### **OUTLINE OF PROJECT**

A core strand of the Noble Foods business strategy is to continue its activity as the major egg supplier to retailers and food companies, whilst at the same time building their own branded portfolio. The happy egg co. was their first great example of this strategy put into action. As their brand design consultants, Springetts work with Noble developing their brand portfolio and wanted to keep this new momentum going. It was during part of this creative process that the team at Springetts thought of the idea of **'Eggs for Soldiers'** - free range eggs supporting the 'Help for Heroes' charity whilst meeting Noble's specific objectives:

- Launch a new brand into the category to keep the momentum (started by the happy egg co.)
   going and promoting free range growth.
- Deliver standout and presence at point of sale, as well as renewed interest.

Due to the altruistic nature of the concept a more important objective became clear:

Raise as much money as possible for the Help for Heroes charity.

### DESCRIPTION

Noble Foods Ltd. is the UK's largest egg producer. Primarily they supply eggs to the retail trade to be sold as private label, to food companies for use within their brands, and also the Noble branded portfolio of eggs. They work with over 400 farmers to collect, grade and package over 60 million eggs every week for their customers.

### OVERVIEW OF MARKET

Although the egg category had been in long term decline since the late 1980s, a decline in caged was being replaced by an increase in Free Range as consumers sought products that respected animal welfare.

The market is predominantly private label, and, as such, the egg fixture was criticised by consumers as 'cluttered, confusing and low interest' until the introduction of the happy egg co., created by Springetts and introduced by Noble, who wanted to maintain this new momentum within the fixture.

### PROJECT LAUNCH DATE

May 2011

### SIZE OF DESIGN BUDGET

### **OUTLINE OF DESIGN SOLUTION**

### CREATING THE BRAND

Whilst undertaking a brand development exercise for Noble Foods, Springetts had the novel idea of using eggs, a commodity bought on a weekly basis, to help raise the awareness of the Help for Heroes charity through brand association. They approached Noble Foods with the concept of 'Eggs for Soldiers', which the company immediately embraced, understanding both its potential and the impact it could make on many lives.

The brand's name – Eggs for Soldiers – points to the quintessential British breakfast (boiled eggs and toast 'soldiers') whilst also communicating its charitable intent. The new branded design uses military fabric to create a jolt in the fixture with strong standout from brand blocking.

Using distinctive, iconic product photography, a strong visual and emotional icon for the brand (the egg 'medal') was developed, rooted in its partnership with Help for Heroes. Springetts wanted to create a brand that would show support for the sacrifice made by all our armed services, and being a commodity driven category 'Eggs for Soldiers' makes it effortless for consumers to show their support.

### CREATING THE DESIGN

- Standout: visibility in a tired, dull retail environment that complements the earlier work done
  by the happy egg co., achieved through the strong brand blocking and iconic use of
  product photography.
- Distinctiveness: a different on-pack architecture and unique colour palette.
- Emotional engagement: the ability of the pack to communicate its charitable intent, captivating consumers in a light-hearted, emotionally engaging way.

A strongly branded website was also developed by Springetts, which allowed the charitable campaign to have a recognisable on-line presence.

# **SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

At the end of year one, the Eggs for Soldiers brand had achieved:

- Number 1 charitable brand in eggs.
- Listings in 3 major multiples Tesco, Asda and Morrisons.
- It has raised in excess of £397,000 for Help for Heroes.

### **ENDORSEMENT FROM THE BUYERS!**

"I genuinely think the design is fantastic. The green camouflage certainly stands out on shelf and is in keeping with the brand name of Eggs for Soldiers. The play on words is very clever promoting the link between the brand and the Help for Heroes charity along with the healthy image of eggs. We're pleased that Tesco can be a part of the good work to help raise as much money as possible for our wounded service men and women."

(Ashley Chatterton, Buyer, Tesco)

### CONSUMERS ARE VOICING THEIR APPROVAL!

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ex Surgeent. Commander Veterans association, (army)

### HELP FOR HEROES SAYS 'WELL DONE'!

"When Noble Foods approached us with the Eggs for Soldiers brand to raise money for Help for Heroes, we knew it was a cracking idea; it is simple, has wide appeal – and the witty, clever packaging mimics our own brand in design. It has far eggceeded our eggspectations, beating their original target of £250,000. So far Eggs for Soldiers has raised £397,000. In 2011/12 Eggs for soldiers has been our most successful FMCG commercial partnership. This money will go a very long way towards helping wounded, sick and injured servicemen and women."

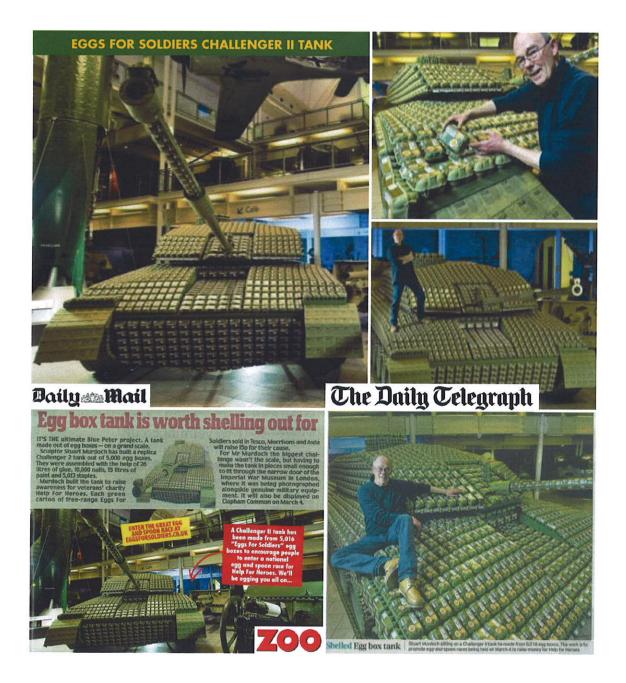
(Bryn Parry CEO and Co-Founder of Help for Heroes)

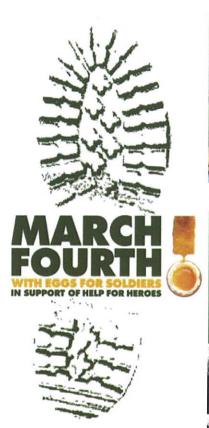
### **RESEARCH RESOURCES**

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### OTHER INFLUENCING FACTORS

The Eggs for Soldiers success story is the result of a well-executed pack design. It has had no advertising to promote it and the iconic pack design has been the inspiration for the successful P.R. activity. As a result the strong design, and its application across all manifestations of Eggs for Soldiers, is an essential ingredient to the brand's continued success.

















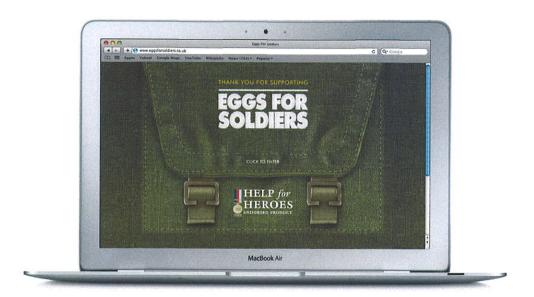
### **CORE PACK**



### **OUTER CASE**



### **WEBSITE ENTRANCE PAGE**



### **WEBSITE HOMEPAGE**

